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DIVISION OF OIL
GAS & MINING PRICE UTAH

RE:

Notice of Intent to Conduct Minor Coal Exploration, Exploration Permit Application, ACT/007/038, Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation, Willow Creek Mine, Carbon County, Utok

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County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hess:

Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation (CPMC) intends on drilling three exploration holes P-E13, P-E17 and P-E18 during mid to late June upon Division approval. The intent of these exploration holes is to better identify the coal resources within the region. All three of the drill holes will be angle holes.

Access to these drill sites P-E13 and P-E17 will be mainly along existing paved roads and access to P-E18 will be mainly along the School House Canyon refuse pile haul road and pile with short sections off of the existing roadways or refuse pile to the proposed drill sites as shown on Map 1. Therefore, surface disturbance will be greatly minimized. Encroachment upon Highway 191 right of way is being requested via a right of way encroachment permit from UDOT.

Additionally, drill holes P-E17 and P-E18 will be accessed and drilled utilizing the existing roads and pads used for drill holes MC-126 and MC-079, respectively. No road construction or upgrade will commence until the appropriate authorization is received from DOGM and UDOT.

During CPMC's May 15, 1999, raptor survey for the Willow Creek Mine, no active nests were identified within or near the proposed drilling areas.

The enclosed Notice of Intent to Conduct Minor Coal Exploration should address all regulatory requirements pursuant to its intended purpose, but should the Division need additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (435) 472-4741.

Sincerely,

Johnny Pappas

Sr. Environmental Engineer

Enclosure

File: WCENV 2.5.2.9 Chrono: JP990517.LTR

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PROCESSING								
Permit Change □	New Permit □	Renewal 🗆	Transfer 🗆	Exploration 🗵	Bond Release □	Permit Number: ACT/007/038		
Title of Proposal: Exploration Permit Application ACT/007/038 to allow drilling of coal					Mine: Willow Creek Mine			
exploration holes P-E13, P-E17 and P-E18.						Permittee:Cyprus Plateau Mining Corp.		
Description, include reason for	r application and timing req	quired to implement:						
Coal quality and the	hickness of D-S	seam in region	ı					
Instructions: If you answer yes to any of the first 8 questions (gray), submit the application to the Salt Lake Office. Otherwise, you may submit it to your reclamation specialist.								

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D Yes	⊗No	1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? acres Disturbed Area? acres Il increase Il decrease.
D Yes	⊠ No	2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO #
D Yes	⊗ No	3. Does application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
□ Yes	⊗ No	4. Does application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
□ Yes	8 No	5. Does application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of maurance or reclamation bond?
□ Yes	Ø No	6. Does the application require or include public notice/publication?
© Yes	⊠ No	7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
O Yes	⊠ No	8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
□ Yes	⊠ No	9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV #
□ Yes	⊠ No	10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies? Explain:
□ Yes	⊠ No	11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
□ Yes	⊠ No	12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2?)
□ Yes	⊠ No	13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
⊠ Yes	□ No	14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
⊠ Yes	□ No	15. Does application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
⊠ Yes	□No	16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
□ Yes	⊠ No	17. Does the application require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities?
⊠ Yes	□ No	18. Does the application require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures?
□ Yes	⊠ No	19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps, or calculations?
□ Yes	⊠ No	20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
□ Yes	⊠ No	21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided for?
□ Yes	⊠ No	22. Does application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
□ Yes	⊠ No	23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

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■ Attach 3 complete copies of the application.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein. (R645-301-123)

My Com Attest:

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